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## A County Library Book Wagon.



A number of states successfully operate book wagons for the circulation of reading material in the rural districts. The American Library Association includes the needs of the rural communities in its Enlarged Program which is the backbone of its "Books for Everybody!" movement. The A. L. A. hopes some day to see book wagons in every state and is pledged to advocate such service.

## LIBRARIANS JOIN FIGHT ON UNREST

American Library Association Inaugurates Nation-wide "Books for Everybody!" Movement.

WILL AID FOREIGN BORN.

Social Problems Can Be Solved by Teaching American Ideals and Traditions.

The spirit of unrest that has been sweeping the country indicates that the foreign born, who have flocked to the United States from every corner of the globe have not been given the proper help and encouragement, in the opinion of the 4,000 librarians who make up the American Library Association and who are now enlisted in a "Books for Everybody!" movement. The effort is a concerted movement to carry out the Enlarged Program which the association has adopted. There are approximately fifteen millions of foreign born in the United States and of this number six millions do not read or speak the English language. One phase of the Enlarged Program will be to bring the publisher and translator together with the view of furnishing the proper books in sufficient numbers to carry the message of American ideals and traditions to this vast army of uninformed people. They have been largely dependent upon the foreign press for their written messages. Many men who live with their fingers on the pulse of current events are firmly convinced that a sound foundation in Americanism can be easily built among the foreign born if the proper literature is placed within their reach in a language they understand.

### No Drive to Be Held.

In order to carry out the Enlarged Program two million dollars will be required. This money will not be sought through the medium of a campaign or an intensive drive, but will be obtained through the individual efforts of the librarians, library trustees and friends of libraries. The American Library Association will bend every effort to bring about the nationwide adoption of each of the cardinal points in the Program, which includes the extension of the county library system and the establishment of more industrial and business libraries. It now has in operation book service to the United States Merchant Marine, Post Guard, Lighthouse Service and hospitals of the United States Public Health Service. The needs of the 75,000 blind persons in the United States will be cared for. At present the number of books available is woefully inadequate. This will be remedied and the joys of good literature will be brought into lives that are darkened by a veil which will never be raised by any other method.

Not all the work of Americanization lies in the great centers of population. Great sections of the country where industry is carried on by foreign workers do not know public library service. There are important mining states where less than a score of libraries exist. One mining state has but two public libraries.

### MORE BOOKS FOR BLIND.

American Library Association Behind Movement to Bring Good Literature to Those Who Walk in the Dark.

There are between 75,000 and 80,000 blind in the United States. The number of books in the recently adopted Braille type for their use is inadequate. The American Library Association has included in the Enlarged Program the need of writing and distributing Braille books. It has already secured several well-known authors to write Braille books. In inaugurating its "Books for Everybody!" movement, the association will be pleased to care for the needs of the blind. Through the efforts of the librarians and friends of libraries, the necessary \$2,000,000.

## GOOD BOOKS AT ALL CROSSROADS

American Library Association Urges Adoption of County Library System.

IDEA PROVES SUCCESSFUL.

California, the Pioneer—Other States Adopting the Plan.

The American Library Association, in announcing its "Books for Everybody!" movement, which is to be nationwide in its scope, advises and urges the extension of the county library system as a solution of the problem of supplying good literature to the rural districts. Its intention is to persist in advocating the nation-wide adoption of the idea as successfully applied in California, Ohio and Maryland until every one of the 2,864 counties in the nation have adopted the system and regular shipments of good books are being made from the central point in the county to the designated outposts. California stands out as the high point in the successful application of the idea. Of the 58 counties in the state 42 have adopted and are supporting the system at a trifling cost. This it urges as a part of its enlarged program which aims to promote a better citizenship and to combat the social and industrial unrest through the teaching of American ideals and traditions to the foreign born.

The book needs of the sixty million or more Americans who live outside of the big cities will be called to the attention of those in a position to serve them.

### County Libraries Urged.

The county library system provides for establishing one central library at the county seat or in the largest town in every county. This does not mean necessarily the erecting of a library building and the stocking of its shelves. In many cases the tools already exist. From this central station books will be loaned to designated outposts. The books will be delivered by trucks, parcel post or whatever method may be adopted in any given county to the country stores, tollgates, post offices, schoolhouses and private homes. When one shipment has been circulated and returned another will be sent out. Also in communities of any size in the county, branch libraries will be maintained.

The American Library Association, with its 4,000 active librarians, members and its 40 years of practical functioning, is in a position to know the needs of the country and in the field for wider knowledge is a force to be reckoned with.

The Enlarged Program calls for an expenditure of \$2,000,000. There will be no drive or intensive campaign. The money will be raised by the librarians, library trustees and friends of libraries. The movement for better citizenship and a well read population is on and the slogan is "Books for Everybody!"

### "BOOKS FOR EVERYBODY!"

Four Thousand Librarian Members of the American Library Association in Nation-Wide Movement.

Since the advent of peace the American Library Association has turned its efforts from war work into other channels. With the benefit of its forty years of experience and the co-operation of its membership of 4,000 active librarians in all parts of the United States, in addition to continuing certain war activities not taken over by the government, it proposes to promote the development of the library system throughout the country and to encourage the reading habit in all ways possible. The A. L. A. supplied over 7,000,000 volumes to our fighting men here and overseas and on board vessels and it has the confidence and the admiration of the nation back of it in inaugurating its "Books for Everybody!" movement. The money to carry out the provisions of the campaign will not be raised through an intensive drive, but will be obtained by the librarians, library trustees and friends of libraries, who have enthusiastically pledged their co-operation in obtaining the necessary \$2,000,000.

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| One hack  | One buggy pole   |
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